

## Verbs

A **verb** expresses action or state of being.

### Commonly Used Helping Verbs

Forms of <i>Be</i>	am are	be been	being is	was were
Forms of <i>Have</i>	had	has	have	having
Forms of <i>Do</i>	did	do	does	
Modals	can could may	might must ought	shall should will	would

\*A modal is an auxiliary verb that is used to express an attitude toward the action or state of being of the main verb

### Commonly Used Linking Verbs

Forms of <i>Be</i>	be being am is are was	were shall be will be has been have been had been	shall have been will have been can be may be might be must be	should be would be could be should have been would have been could have been
Others	feel grow taste	look remain turn	seem smell	sound stay

Important: The word *not* and its contraction, *n't*, are never part of a verb phrase. They are adverbs telling to what extent.